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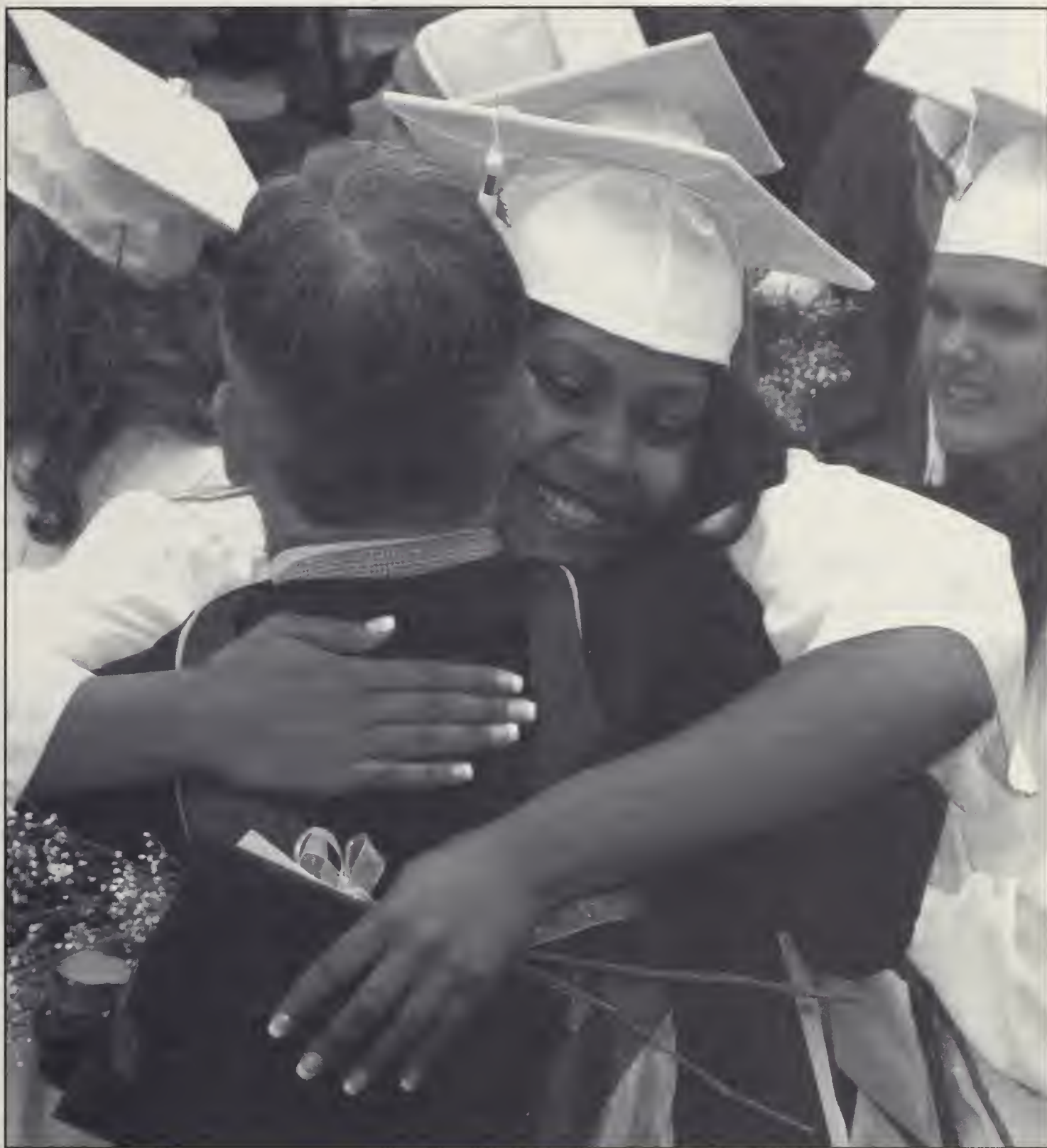
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Cassandra Duchard hugs teacher Matt Gettings as Keri Bergman looks on.



Levi Puot Ruot jumps the wall.

Just minutes before the 92 members of the Class of 2005 jumped the wall behind Mansion House to celebrate their graduation from GDA, Boston Globe columnist Brian McGrory offered some words of wisdom, more than a touch of humor, and some counsel to the graduates and the Commencement audience.

On the following page is an abridged version of McGrory's address.

2005 Commencement~Reunion Issue

Commencement 2005



Commencement speaker
Brian McGrory

Commencement season should also be known as advice season. But before proceeding directly to the self-important section of this talk, I just wanted to share nine bits of real world advice with you that I don't think you'll get from your parents or teachers or anybody else. These are nine bits of advice designed to make your adult lives better, nine bits of advice gleaned from age and experience, nine bits of knowledge I wish I had known when I was your age, which harks back to that famous line from an earlier commencement address about it being a shame that youth is wasted on the young.

1/ That State Police officer who has just pulled you to the side of the highway has never once in his entire career said to himself, hmm, this driver is yelling at me pretty hard. Maybe I better let him off.

2/ You can, in fact, learn an entire semester's worth of Psych 101 in one long night of study.

3/ When someone, anyone, tells you it's not about the money, then it's absolutely all about the money.

4/ Read a newspaper every

day, and by that I mean the actual newspaper, not the on-line site. Please, please, just do as I say.

5/ When your boss asks you what do you think, he's not wondering what you really, truly think. You can never go wrong by beginning your answer with, "Sir, as you once said..."

6/ When the car salesman says the price he's offering is good for that day only, he's flat out lying.

7/ Never order any menu item in a restaurant that contains the words Delight or Supreme, the obvious exception being the hot fudge brownie delight at Dairy Queen, where I used to work as a kid.

8/ You know those tall, skinny kids with the coke-bottle glasses who used to ace their calculus exams every time out? You might want to grab onto one right now, because they're going to be a lot richer than the rest of us someday.

9/ When you're offered the choice between steak or lasagna on an overseas flight, always order the lasagna. It's impossible to get a moist piece of meat at 30,000 feet.

Alright, now let's get into the fatuous, pompous stuff. Like every other commencement speaker this season, I wrestled hard with what I wanted to say. For a while, I thought it important to talk to you about political involvement. And then I thought maybe it would be

good to talk about the importance of the press in modern America, public enlightenment and all that. I sketched out a speech so long that it actually required an intermission. And then I decided, this is your day, why don't I talk about something entirely novel: You. So here goes.

Class of 2005, do me a favor. Glance around you. I mean, really, look all around you. Look at each other. Look over at your nice instructors, your headmaster, your guidance counselors. Look over at your parents, your brothers and sisters, some of

you have aunts and uncles here and grandparents. Maybe there are just some nice folks from the area who have shown up out of a sense of local pride.

And here's a truth that you can't possibly realize now, though you will in a few years. I promise you will. Never in your entire lives, regardless of what you eventually do, regardless of where you go, regardless of all that you'll undoubtedly achieve, will a group of people ever know you in the same way that these people at this commencement know you right now. Never.



Lizzy George, Caroline Ott, Rachael Therriault, Danielle Aversa, Keri Bergman, Amanda Mello



Surasek Maneesri, Young Jae Lyoo, Christopher Vancisin, Russell Bradley, Rebecca Kelly

Let's think about that just for a moment. Many of you will go off and get married some day, maybe more than once because that's becoming kind of the norm, and you'll have kids and stepkids and half-kids and grand-kids and all these people will know you inside and out. You'll make great friends, lifelong friends, in college. But they still won't know you like these people here know you.

Here's why. These people in this room have seen you as you were becoming who you really are. Some of them knew you at the beginning of time, when you were a fat little ball of baby flesh. They saw you toddle for the first time. They fed you mashed fruit on a tiny spoon as you kicked your feet in your highchair. They sent you off to school on that first day, tears flowing every which way by everyone involved. They saw you make that first catch in right field, kick that first soccer ball through the net, develop your first cow-eyed crush, struggle through the inevitable awkwardness of adolescence learning more about yourself and the world around you.

Your parents and siblings watched as you made enormous mistakes and suffered tremendous embarrassments. Your teachers here guided you along on this famously fragile stretch of road between childhood and adulthood. Your fellow students befriended you when you needed them most. These are all people who consoled you in tough times and lauded you in good times, sitting in the stands and attending the awards ceremonies and waiting for your report cards at home.

And I don't mean to make it sound so passive. These people were invested in you. They love

you. They nurtured you. They taught you. They gave you part of themselves. We are all, to a significant degree, products of our environments, meaning these people at this event in no small way shaped who you are today.

So what am I trying to say? I'm trying to say that for the rest of your lives, when you go away to college and eventually get a job, whether you settle here or in your hometown or in San Francisco or in Paris, you will forever have an unbreakable, irrevocable connection to your family, your childhood friends, and most especially, to this, your school, and all the many wonderful people that came with it.

So let me give you a little bit of advice. In ten years, 20 years, maybe sooner, maybe later, some of your teachers here or the guys who hang out down at the diner of your hometown are going to ask one day, Hey, whatever happened to Johnny or Jennifer Smith? It's going to happen. So you should start thinking today, this very day, what you want that answer to be. You've been given a lot by a great number of people. Now you're going to want to start giving something back in return.

I think you'll want them to say, I hear he or she is a really great father or mother, or the best guitarist, or a terrific stockbroker, or someone who took wonderful care of their ailing mother, or just a plain old spectacular friend. I think you'll want that answer to be that he or she turned out to be one hell of a nice person. You'll learn as life goes on that we don't control as much as we think, but this much is in your power.

I've been extraordinarily lucky in life, in that I've been able to live out some of my childhood

dreams. I found something I truly love to do, which is writing.

Most of all, I've gotten to meet some real interesting people. I've interviewed Bill Clinton three times, and spent about six hours with George Bush one day in Texas back when he was governor. They both had something in common: They absolutely 100 percent love what it is they do.

But the most interesting people I've met, the men and women whom I've learned the most from, aren't the most famous. Far from it. There's a guy named David Hynes who used to work on the Boston Public Garden every day, starting at about 5 a.m., pruning and raking and planting and picking up. It's his little patch of real estate in this world, he's intensely proud of it, and it's the prettiest piece of land I've ever known, bringing happiness and a moment of beauty and solitude to the thousands of people who walk through it. And he might be one of the happiest guys I've ever met. I met a retired fireman, he's about 90 years old now. Way back when in the early 60s, he was working at a station when a father came in with a son stricken by muscular dystrophy and wanted some help raising money. This fireman started a door-to-door fundraising campaign in Boston, convinced the national firefighter's association to adopt MD as its pet charity, and is now responsible for more than 75 million dollars in donations being collected by firefighters over the past 40 years. All because he loved his job enough to care.

I met another guy who does something as simple as sit outside his church every Sunday morning for the past 50 years selling the Sunday Globes and

Heralds. It's his reason for living. He sees all the parishioners, and all the kids who have worked for him over the years selling say he's played a profound role in forming a work ethic that has shaped their lives.

This is a very long way of saying, find something you love. It might be your job. It might be your family. It might be a charity, or a hobby. But find something you love, and love it well. Let it bring out the passion. Because if you find something you truly love, it is then you will give back to the world around you, and it is then that you will represent your community well and make it proud.

One last thing, if I may. Very soon, you're going to take that traditional step over the wall back there. You might consider a couple of things, as you do. You might consider that honorable people can have honest disagreements, and that's just the way the world works. From my brief involvement with the school, I know that everyone, and I mean everyone, wants to make this the best academy it can be. But as you step over that wall, remember something very clearly. You went to Governor Dummer Academy, and regardless of what happens to the name, no one is ever going to take that away.

And remember this as well. No one's ever going to take away the profound experiences you had here. You may be moving on, but you're not leaving this school behind. You're taking it with you, in your head, in your heart, and in your bones.

You're a very fortunate group. Now let's see what else you've got. Congratulations, thank you, and good luck. ▀

MORSE FLAG ~ 2005



Morse Flag awardee Tim Lang with (left to right): sister Maura; brother Brendan; mother Susan; father Jim; sister Katie; and Headmaster Marty Doggett

The Morse Flag was first awarded 91 years ago at the 150th Commencement of this School on June 9, 1913, and it has been awarded each year since that time to the senior whose record in all respects has met with the highest approval of the faculty. According to the Trust established by the late Rev. Glenn Tilley Morse, a long-time friend and Trustee of the Academy, a new flag is provided each year in order that the old flag, which has flown over the School during the past year, may be given to a member of the graduating class.

He has performed superbly well in every respect and in all areas throughout his four-year tenure at GDA. During his time in this community, he has been described as dedicated, enthusiastic, intellectually curious, patient and precise. He has been referred to as a Renaissance man who is able to master the metaphors of Shakespeare, the demanding syntax of the German language

and the logic based cognitive demands of mathematics and science. His teachers consistently comment on his passion for learning and his relentless pursuit of comprehensive understanding of all disciplines. His commitment to learning is exemplary and he is an inspiration to his classmates and instructors alike.

He has always pursued a rigorous course of study. In addition to his regular curriculum of honors and Advanced Placement courses, he has chosen to elect independent studies that would augment his keen interest in both writing and history. During his junior year he met with his English teacher twice weekly over breakfast in order to perfect his skills in persuasive writing. His teacher reported that he was thirsty for the challenge and that his willingness to continually revise his work led to the production of an impressive portfolio of essays.

His Advanced Placement United States History teacher

commented that his ardor for historical study was rare for someone his age. In fact, this passion for history became evident as he investigated and wrote about Benjamin Franklin's Albany Plan of colonial union. It was a piece of writing breathtaking in its depth of analysis and original thinking. Most university graduate students would be hard pressed to produce a comparable piece of scholarship. This paper eventually earned the distinction of being chosen as the New England district winner of the Cum Laude Society Paper competition. His academic talents have been further recognized by his induction in the Cum Laude Society and as the recipient of the Holy Cross Book Award.

He is, however, not only an intellectual. Despite a grueling course of study, he pursues a plethora of other interests. This year he served as co-editor in chief of the Governor and dedicated countless hours to perfecting and expanding this publi-

cation. He has been an earnest member of the wrestling team and he has been a faithful contributor to the chorus and drama programs. He also participated in community service and played a significant role in the Special Olympics program for four years.

He is a model citizen who possesses a kind, compassionate and gracious spirit. He is a scholar, a writer, a performer and an athlete. His tireless diligence, outstanding achievement, passion for learning and commitment to the GDA community have earned him universal respect. Individuals of his caliber come our way infrequently.

It is with the admiration and appreciation of the Governor Dummer faculty that the 2005 Morse Flag Award is presented to:

Timothy Joseph Lang of Lynn, Massachusetts

—Headmaster Marty Doggett



Kelsey Johnson jumps ahead of Torie Allen and Meaghan Lafond

Samuel Adams	Emory University
Matthew Ahern	Colby College
Victoria Allen	Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Nicholas Almy	Wheaton College
Danielle Aversa	Boston University
Meredith Baker	Miami University
Michael Barnaby	Northeastern University
Keri Bergman	Stonehill College
Nicholas Berluti	Providence College
Nicole Bitsack	Boston University
Russell Bradley	University of Colorado
Timothy Brierley	Rollins College
Danielle Carroll	University of Hartford
Christopher Chaloux	Bard College
Nicholas Clark	Salve Regina University
Christian Colarusso	Florida State University
Kelsey Correia	Trinity College
Raul Cruz	Williams College
Timothy Cushman	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Nicole Dietz	University of Colorado
Bryan Dodge	Saint Michael's College
Cassandra Duchard	University of Richmond
Benn Ferriero	Boston College
Garson Fields	University of Vermont
Daniel Galajda	Assumption College
Christopher Genovese	Assumption College
Elizabeth George	Dickinson College
Brendan Gibling	Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Devin Gmyrek	University of Richmond
Tyler Gobin	University of Southern California
Juan Carlos Graziano	Merrimack College
Nicole Greco	Northeastern University
Audrie Grigun	University of Edinburgh
Jonathan Guy	College of Wooster
Andrew Guyton	Providence College
Ashley Hamel	DePaul University
Lindsey Hery	Roanoke College
Jonathan Holt	Bentley College
Kelsey Johnson	University of New Hampshire
Kevin Kapstad	University of New Hampshire
Rebecca Kelly	Columbia University
Young-Jee Kim	Northeastern University
Ebony Knowlin	Guilford College

Meaghan Lafond	University of Tampa
Timothy Lang	Georgetown University
Ji Hee Lee	University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Kate Leibovitz	Saint Anselm College
Justin Leonard	Wentworth Institute of Technology
Ariel Lilly	Savannah College of Art and Design
Young Jae Lyoo	Claremont McKenna College
Christopher MacPhee	Year Off / Quinnipiac University
Jonathan Mahoney	George Washington University
Surasak Maneesri	Norwich University
Hallie Martin	Boston University
Daisy Martinez	Bryant University
Christopher McKinnon	University of Southern California
Jennifer Mejia	Syracuse University
Amanda Mello	Colby College
Amy Miller	Providence College
Aaron Moberger	Skidmore College
Brian Morrissey	Williams College
Asuka Murata	University of Wisconsin
Jennifer Muscatello	Villanova University
Jennifer O'Leary	Northwestern University
Colin O'Rourke	English Speaking Union / Boston College
Julie O'Shaughnessy	University of New Hampshire
Caroline Ott	Barnard College
Meaghan Owen	Boston College
Gardiner Parker	Colby College
Christian Peng	Boston University
Emilie Pickering	Tulane University
Erin Reil	Northeastern University
Alexander Riley	Ithaca College
Thomas Roche	Boston University
Robert Rudolph	Colby College
Levi Puot Ruot	Lake Forest College
Hilary Scheintaub	University of Massachusetts
David Slater	Providence College
Sarah Somogie	Loyola University (New Orleans)
Ruth Splaine	Saint Michael's College
Barrie Stavis	Trinity College
Hannah Sylvester	Muhlenberg College
Rachael Theriault	University of Delaware
Ramon Tejada Trinidad	Lafayette College
Christopher Vancisin	Colby College
David Ward	Springfield College
Andrew Weinstein	Gettysburg College
Andrew Werner	University of Richmond
Tory Wheelwright	University of Massachusetts
Alexander Whitney	Dickinson College
James Zografos	Babson College



Greg Waldman '87 and Mary Leary



Andrew Guyton '05

The View from Here

The following was delivered by Andrew Guyton at the Senior-Faculty Dinner on May 27, 2005.

Do you remember when we arrived here? We were all between the ages of 14 and 15...except for Jon Holt who

was already 17. We all had braces and nicely trimmed hair. But seriously, when was the last time you looked at the face book from that year. We all look like such freshman.

One of my first memories from that year is hanging out with Tyler Gobin during Unity Days. He was my first friend at GDA and we spent a considerable amount of time together. Memories such as these have been forever etched into my mind, along with a few others. I remember sitting on the picnic tables outside of Cottage next to Barrie Stavis, with Hallie and Gobin, and Alex Whitney across

the table; that's when I met Sam Adams. He came over and recited the story of Alex Whitney...or rather, "captain sunfish". It was interesting to meet the people I would be attending the Academy with for the next four years. Little did I, or anybody else know how much people would change. I had my group of friends right off the bat and I was happy. We were a little bit of a library gang if you will. It is interesting how the people that I knew the best during my first two years have grown and changed. We all have.

Soon enough we were all sitting in canoes for our sophomore Unity Days. Becker and I had a canoe together, back in the day when he was part of our class. I remember the water being warm, and every boy in our class doing the best he could to flip whomever he came across out of their canoe. It was a fine late summer day and if you listened closely you could hear Raul yelling, "If you get my Nikes wet I'll kill you!" I think we all ended up being soaked from head to toe by the end of that trip.

The supposed trickiest year of our GDA career was up next. And it started off with a bang. The class of 2005 began the year



Brendan Giblin '05

The Peter Marshall French Memorial Trophy is inscribed each year with the name of a student at any level whose perseverance, sportsmanship and generous spirit on the playing field, represents the highest standards of committed participation and fair play. An inscribed scroll accompanies the trophy.

Brendan Charles Giblin of North Hampton, New Hampshire

The Goodwin Athletic Prize, established by Mr. Fred H. Goodwin of the Class of 1916, a Trustee of the Academy from 1916 to 1949, is given to that senior boy who, by his athletic achievement and sportsmanship, has brought the greatest honor to his school during the past year.

Brian Patrick Morrissey of Winchester, Massachusetts

The Anne Marie Murphy Athletic Award is given annually at Commencement time to that senior girl who, by her example and her achievement in athletics, has brought the greatest honor to her school during the past year.

Daisy Lorena Martinez of Eliot, Maine

The Thespian Award, created in 1971, is awarded for meritorious work in the field of dramatics, for inspiring participation, for providing leadership and developing theatrical knowledge and abilities.

Colin O'Rourke of Winchester, Massachusetts

The Edward J. Rybicki Prize is awarded to the individual making the greatest positive contribution to the school newspaper over the past academic year.

Amanda Jean Mello of Lynnfield, Massachusetts

The Barriskill Prize is awarded annually to that member of the senior class who has made an outstanding contribution in the field of music at the Academy.

Danielle Kristen Aversa of North Andover, Massachusetts

The Mercer Art Prize is given to that senior with exceptional creativity and originality who has earned honor grades in all available Studio Art and Art History courses and demonstrated intentional efforts to achieve artistic awareness and proficiency.

Lindsey Ruth Hery of Newburyport, Massachusetts

The Johnson Science Award is awarded annually to an outstanding science scholar in recognition of his or her achievements in the area of science.

Matthew Chin Ahern of Melrose, Massachusetts



JulieAnn O'Shaughnessy '05

The Cumings Prize is awarded annually to a student who has shown perseverance, hard work and good spirit in contributing to the welfare of the School.

JulieAnn O'Shaughnessy of Manchester, New Hampshire

The Gaffney Prize is awarded to that senior who, in the opinion of the faculty, has been most considerate of the rights, opinions and sensibilities of others.

Kelsey Anne Correia of Wakefield, Massachusetts

The Sarah Ellen Avalon Award is awarded to that senior who through hard work, determination and strength of character, has worked to develop his or her potential to the fullest and in so doing, has been a true credit to Governor Dummer Academy.

Jennifer Elizabeth O'Leary of North Andover, Massachusetts

by doing the unthinkable. A select group of dancers dropped it as though it were hot the night of the river cruise. I remember the pairs. Lindsey and Liu, Mo and Julie, and Daisy and Raul. Does anyone else remember the look on Gettings' face? Clearly his mother had not told him or taught him about this sort of dancing. The entire school was instructed on the definition of appropriate dance moves prior to the opening dance thanks to our class. Another memorable event during junior year Unity Days was roller skating. I clearly remember Hilary's face meeting the wall on numerous occasions. The nice thing about that day was everyone was able to laugh along with each other, and at Ms. Bromley who also had a run in with the floor. It was nice to see that we all had a good sense of humor as a class.

Senior year meant Brantwood and three words that will always hold a special meaning to us, Bring the Pain. I was put in the most diverse cabin, and it was a helluva time. Walking out to the cabin I once again saw how much Raul loved nature. He was worried about being attacked by a mountain lion and being shot, but Matt Ahern was in paradise. It didn't take Ahern long to find a log and run through the woods terrifying anyone he came across. I

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Special Prizes are awarded to members of the Governor Dummer Senior Class whose perseverance, courage, initiative, sense of responsibility, loyalty, and concern for others have contributed to the strength of the Academy.

Young Jae Lyoo of Seoul, Korea

Ebony Knowlin of Bronx, New York

Thomas Lawrence Roche of Wayland, Massachusetts

Rebecca Rose Kelly of West Newbury, Massachusetts

Hannah Sylvester of North Hero, Vermont

The Wilkie Service Award is awarded to a senior whose contributions to the community outside the Academy best demonstrate the deep concern and the unfailing sympathy for others.

Nicole Joy Dietz of Merrimac, Massachusetts

The Alumni Association Award is given to a senior who has shown community spirit and concern within the Academy and has displayed qualities of awareness and humanity.

Andrew Joseph Guyton of Rowley, Massachusetts

The Moody Kent Prizes are awarded for outstanding achievement in each department of study.

English	<i>Brian Patrick Morrissey of Winchester, Massachusetts</i>
History	<i>Timothy Joseph Lang of Lynn, Massachusetts</i>
Mathematics	<i>Christopher Moot Vancisin of Hamilton, Massachusetts</i>
Science	<i>Russell Orme Bradley of Byfield, Massachusetts</i>
Music	<i>Caroline Downes Ott of Boxford, Massachusetts</i>
Foreign Language	<i>Hilary Ann Scheintaub of Byfield, Massachusetts</i>
Art	<i>Ramon Francisco Tejada Trinidad of Lawrence, Massachusetts</i>



ACADEMY PRIZE

The Academy Prize is one of two prizes awarded by vote of the entire faculty. Upon retirement of Headmaster Ted Eames in 1959, the underclassmen of the Academy endowed the already existing Academy

Prize so that at future commencements it could be given "in honor of Edward W. and Eleanor K. Eames so that the qualities they so deeply prized in this couple might be prized in turn by future and succeeding classes."

The Academy prize traditionally honors that individual who embodies the spirit of the school. So who embodies such a spirit?

It is quite simple to locate this person. She won our hearts one by one. The first day she walked onto campus for her interview she began to make a positive impact. She has continued every single day of her time here to be connected and to be hopeful and to be enthusiastic and to be genuine.

She is the person you want to be captain of your team even if she is not a starter. She is the person who can have a serious or a wildly funny conversation with a prospective student on tour, a freshman, a senior classmate, a new teacher, an old teacher, a new parent, and an alumni trustee all in the same morning. She is the person you can always count on to show up where and when she is needed whether she is asked or not. She has a smile that will light up your pathway at high noon and she has a laugh and sense of mischief that are wicked and funny and wicked funny.

It is difficult to measure or remark on what she has accomplished in every 24-hour GDA day. You know she was Varsity Basketball Captain and won the Boston Globe Art Award. You know she was an inspiring dormitory proctor, an effective leader of Special Olympics and a good humored FLIP mentor. You know she was a tour guide who could give you a tour of the buildings and grounds and also of the true spirit of GDA. Ask these teachers one by one. Ask these students one by one. Each one will have at least one story. A story that can only be told with a smile, a story of an encounter and a connection with a person of genuine and generous spirit and that person is:

Lindsey Ruth Hery of Newburyport, Massachusetts

—Headmaster Marty Doggett



PETER W. BRAGDON HEADMASTER'S CUP

The Headmaster's Cup is given to that senior who, in the judgment of the Headmaster, has best served the mission of the School.

This student has been a rock of steady, principled leadership in our community for four years. In every sense, he exemplifies the school's core values: commitment to learning and a healthy community, integrity, responsibility, teamwork, service, and respect for others. As a student, he has sought and faced academic challenge and never been found wanting. Whether in Honors Algebra II, Honors Pre-Calculus, Honors Physics, or early trials with Spanish I in his freshman year, he has always met challenge with his utmost honest effort. Throughout his years here, teachers, coaches, and dorm parents have commented admirably on his strength of character: noting how much effort he had put into improving his game between sophomore and junior year, and how much he had improved as a basketball player, his coach commented that "his perseverance and dedication served as a great example for the other players." Anyone on a team with this young man knows full well, now, that one needn't be the most talented to be vitally important to the team. This young man has sought many ways to contribute to the vitality of our school community: as an elected member of student government, as a Special Olympics volunteer, as a founding member of the Anti-Defamation League at GDA, as a member of the student-faculty Diversity Committee, and this year as a senior proctor mentoring freshman boys in the same dormitory that he had lived in as a freshman. Those boys appreciate, better than anyone, the extraordinary care and guidance that this senior has given them this year. What they have witnessed is a role model who models courage; one who does not stand idly by when he encounters insensitivity or cruelty; one who is willing to stand up for what is right rather than for what is popular. He has been a force for good at GDA. Going to Colby College next year — via a first semester of study in Spain! — this year's recipient of the Headmaster's Cup is:

Robert Prentiss Rudolph of Swampscott, Massachusetts

— Headmaster Marty Doggett

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remember DJ sounding like he was deflating while he was sleeping, and McPhee, and JC's legs didn't even come close to fitting in the bunk. I was showered by Oreos and apples by Dodge as he recreated several wars. The next day was a perfect day to hike Mount Monadnock. It was not quite warm enough to remove one's shirt, but a nice day nonetheless. On the way to the top, Mr. Hunt and I serenaded the great outdoors with our own version of "You've Lost That Loving Feeling." I later learned that this was his secret for getting the ladies at Papa Gino's. Clark, write that down. We reached the top of the mountain and took a picture of everyone together at the peak of our GDA career.

It has been four years of good times, and now we are all going our separate ways and heading off to college. Throughout the last four years, we have helped each other and taken care of one another. We have worked together to get to where we are now, the end of our GDA career and the beginning of our next adventure. As we prepare to climb a new mountain next year, it is important to remember where we came from and the friends that we have made. Don't forget the good times you have had with everybody in our class, and don't be strangers. We will never have the chance to re-climb the mountain that is GDA, so bask in the memories and enjoy every minute we spend with each other over these last few days. ▀

CUM LAUDE ELECTIONS FOR CLASS OF '05



Elected to Cum Laude in September 2004:

Matthew C. Ahern
Nicole J. Dietz
Elizabeth E. George
Rebecca R. Kelly
Timothy J. Lang
Young Jae Lyoo
Jennifer E. O'Leary
Caroline D. Ott
Hilary A. Scheintaub

Elected to Cum Laude in April 2005:

Meredith A. Baker
Russell O. Bradley
Raul A. Cruz
Tyler F. Gobin
Audrie T.C. Grigun
Emilie R. Pickering
Sarah E. Somogie
Hannah J. Sylvester
Christopher M. Vancisin

Underclass Students Honored

The following awards and honors were given at a convocation held at the end of the school year. Congratulations to all!

HARVARD BOOK PRIZE:

"...awarded to that member of the junior class deemed most worthy through high scholarship and character."

Charles L. Grant of Boxford, Massachusetts

YALE BOOK PRIZE: "...given to a junior with a love of learning and high character."

Dana E. Vancisin of Hamilton, Massachusetts

HOLY CROSS BOOK PRIZE:

"...awarded to a junior for distinguished academic performance in a challenging program, for demonstrating a sense of concern for others and a strong sense of responsibility."

Ki Young Kim of Teajon, Korea

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE BOOK AWARD:

"...awarded to a junior who has been outstanding in the study of English."

Sarah B. Harmeling of North Reading, Massachusetts

MEMORIAL MATHEMATICS PRIZE:

"...awarded to a junior who has been outstanding in the study of mathematics."

Mark C. Rinaldi of West Boylston, Massachusetts

EDMUND COFFIN COLMAN LANGUAGE PRIZE

"...awarded to an undergraduate who has shown proficiency in the study of languages."

Mary A. Boadu of Bronx, New York

COLBY COLLEGE BOOK PRIZE:

"...awarded to a junior who has shown proficiency in the study of history and has displayed community spirit and evidence of personal growth."

Zachary Cotreau of Manchester, Massachusetts

THE RENSSELAER MEDAL:

"...awarded for outstanding achievement in both math and science."

Hyunwoo Cho of Gyeonggi-Do, Korea

Junior Art Prize: "...awarded to that junior with exceptional talent and creative expression in one or more of the visual arts."

Yu Jin Lee of Seoul, Korea

Junior Music Prize: "...awarded to that junior with exceptional talent in one or more of the performing arts."

Alexander Crosett IV of North Andover, Massachusetts

CARL A. PESCOSOLIDO, JR. ATHLETIC AWARDS:

"...presented, at the conclusion of their junior year, to those scholar athletes — both male and female — whose academic and athletic performance exhibit the character and commitment to excellence of Carl A. Pescosolido, Jr. '55, President of the Board 1980-92."

Mackenzie J. Pelletier of Peabody, Massachusetts

Nicholas J. Caro of Andover, Massachusetts

FRANCIS SCHOLARSHIP:

"...awarded to a student of high character who has made substantial intellectual progress and who has demonstrated a spirit of cooperation and helpfulness in the life of the school."

Jane L. Goodman of Lynn, Massachusetts

HALE SCHOLARSHIP:

"...awarded to a student who, through perseverance, has shown the most improvement in the various aspects of school life and has become an esteemed contributor to the well-being of the Governor Dummer community."

Margaret E. Hughes of St. Albans, Vermont

INGHAM FUND SCHOLARSHIP:

"...awarded to help support an industrious and able student at the Academy."

F.J. Peter Donovan of Miramichi, New Brunswick, Canada

WHITTEMORE AWARD:

"...awarded to the member of the sophomore class who through attitude and perseverance has made the best contribution to the Academy." (Selection made by the class of 2005)

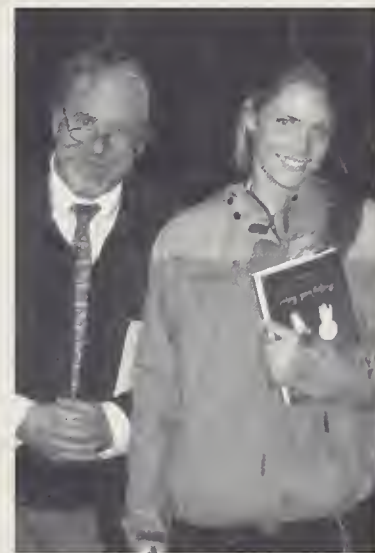
Ana Almeyda-Cohen of Bronx, New York



Headmaster Marty Doggett with MacKenzie J. Pelletier who received the Carl A. Pescosolido, Jr. Athletic Award.



Fine Arts Teacher Geoff Brace with Yu Jin Lee, winner of the Junior Art Prize.



English and Drama Teacher Paul Wann presented the Dartmouth College Book Award to Sarah B. Harmeling.

Latin Students Named Winners

Several GDA students were recognized recently for their achievement on the National Latin Exam, a standardized test administered to over 135,000 students in all 50 states and 14 foreign countries. In the Latin I exam, Leslie Ward was designated Summa Cum Laude and named a Gold Medalist; Hunter Archibald was Magna Cum Laude; and Will Bryson was Cum Laude. In Latin II, Emily Banta and Jennifer Tomich were both Maxima Cum Laude and named Silver Medalists; Mike Shakespeare was Magna Cum Laude; and Adam Chisholm was Cum Laude. In Latin III (Prose), Dane Lemberger was Summa Cum Laude and named a Gold Medalist; Nicholas Caro and Andrew Riedell were both Maxima Cum Laude and Silver Medalists; and Yeonju Woo and Cameron Archibald were both Magna Cum Laude.



We've Come A long Way...

Baccalaureate 2005

The following is an abridged version of the Baccalaureate Address delivered by Headmaster Marty Doggett on May 28, 2005.

This was a class that came of age like the rest of the country on September 11th, 2001. I will forever remember gathering here in this chapel at midmorning on that fateful day and trying to make sense of the inexplicable horror that had occurred in Lower Manhattan. That event changed our lives and it changed our world.

Change is in the order of things, especially at schools. Allegedly, I am a historian, although the 16 members of the class of 2005 who endured my Supreme Court and the Constitution course might question this assertion. I'm naturally curious about change and its relationship to GDA's history. Before you move on, I thought I might share with you a few of the historical nuggets I uncovered.

I decided to go back to the year 1898, a year when the nation was also at war in far off countries. Instead of Iraq and Afghanistan, American

troops were engaged in Cuba and the Philippine Islands. A Republican was in the White House. As in 2005, no Stanley Cup games were played that season either. Ronald J. McDonald from Cambridgeport, not Kenya, won the second Boston Marathon in a not so blistering time of two hours and 55 minutes. Maybe it was the clown shoes that slowed him down.

Governor Dummer Academy was a much more intimate place then than it is today. The Headmaster's name was Perley Horne; if nothing else, he was probably a prime candidate for a name change. He was supported by a faculty that numbered a whopping total of four. You could easily have held a faculty meeting in the current mailroom. There were five students in the graduating class of 1898 and 17 underclassmen. Of these 22 students only five had first names that match the names of students who are enrolled at the Academy in the year 2005. The roster of names included an Orville, Sumner, Roland, Raymond, Curtis, Carol, Silas, Wilbert, Willard, Melzar,

Harry, two Herberts, Howard and a Harvey.

Tuition fees were \$500, which incorporated tuition, board, heat, light, and washing (steam laundry however, was not included, thus confirming Jerry Seinfeld's theory about the ongoing historical conspiracy of laundry industry). Day fees were \$75. In those days, all checks or drafts were paid to the order of the Headmaster; a very worthy custom that I have not been able to persuade our Chief Financial Officer Dick Savage to re-institute. Parents of that era apparently were not faced with those extra school expenses that quickly begin to resemble additional mortgage payments. There were no cell phones and therefore none of those Verizon charges that only an accountant can decipher; in fact the only phone on campus was in the Mansion House. I'm trying to decide if that was a good thing. There were no smart cards and the practice of "ordering in" had yet to be invented by some hungry smeed. The school catalogue contained language that was probably reassuring to parents. It

announced "there can be little occasion for spending money, as students are not permitted to go to the village or Newburyport without special permission. The Byfield locality is a most desirable one for such a school - it is in a healthy, pleasant farming district [clearly the author of this propaganda was selectively inattentive to the bloodthirsty mosquitoes, ubiquitous black flies and welt producing greenheads that reside here]. It is without a hotel, store or place of public resort in the immediate vicinity." Ditto 2005. Even today commercial real estate developers do not consider Byfield to be the potential Nantucket of the North Shore. In any event, students of the same parents who found this write-up so reassuring probably figured they were being exiled to Outer Mongolia.

There were some quaint customs practiced at the school. Students were obliged to bring to school, three sheets, and six towels and, a requirement that would make Mr. Moonves proud, three cloth napkins and a napkin ring carefully marked. Each boy was also required to

write to his parents or guardian or some member of the family each Sabbath; an archaic and curious exercise to a generation that relies on email and text messaging.

The social life was decidedly different. The big news in the fall of 1898 was that a new mascot arrived on campus in the form of a bull...according to the reports a very small bull but a bull nevertheless. Faculty members gave regular lectures to the entire school. A Mr. Sprague delivered one entitled "Home Life of the Athenians." The school newspaper often ran reviews of these addresses but in this case, reported that lack of space prevented them from giving a full account of the talk. This probably suggests how memorable, engrossing and scintillating it was. Dances were the high-point of social life in Byfield. The school employed a special dancing instructor named Miss Helen Osgood Towle who "thoroughly understands her work and has that particular tact and perseverance necessary to make her work successful." She taught the boys the nuances of such contemporary favorite steps as the Boston Dip Waltz, the Schottische and the German. Denny Terrio of magic footprint fame, eat your heart out. The account of the first dance of the year was instructive. The school newspaper read like a melding of People Magazine and the National Inquirer...many of the guests were critiqued. A sampling:

"Miss Mable Poole's costume was white muslim made stunning by a sash of the color of strawberries crushed in dry Catawba wine with perhaps a suspicion of cream to smooth the effect a trifle." Amanda Mello or Tim Lang never wrote copy like this. Another entry.... "Miss Sanford's dress left nothing to be desired but the powers of description"...What does that mean? Perhaps better left unsaid. "Miss Newhall captivated the eyes of all with a most effective combination of a black shirt, a red silk waist and a straw hat." Political correctness had yet to find its way into the newsroom. The paper went on to observe that "one thing marred what otherwise would have been a perfect evening. Our best dancers were "room bound," apparently the penalty for misdemeanors ranging from missing breakfast to failing a course. In addition to being ostracized from polite society, these sorry fellows had to sit in the front row of chapel, presumably serving their penance closer to God. Grist for the mill for Shawn Markey to consider as a penalty in lieu of clipboarding.

The daily schedule was slightly different than today's. Students rose at 7:00 a.m., ate breakfast at 7:30 a.m., but their next official appointment was not until 9:00 a.m. when the formal academic day opened with devotional exercises; the catalogue did not elaborate on this meeting but I suspect it had a decidedly religious bent. I say this

because all students were required to attend Church and Sabbath School on Sunday at the Byfield Congregational Church. My sources tell me that the students walked to this service. This was a three and a half mile round trip hike...plenty of time to either get religion or become an agnostic. Classes spanned the hours between 9 and 3. The curriculum was quite traditional by 19th century standards. Mr. Kelley was definitely born in the wrong century because Latin was a required course for all students. Greek, Math, English and Science represented the core classes. Exercise from 3:30 to 5:00. Dinner began promptly at 6:00 p.m. Study hall ran from 7:30 until 9 and then the student body retired for bed at 9:30 p.m.; presumably with Latin declensions dancing in their heads.

Enough of the past. Today is a day to look confidently into the future. The jurist Oliver Wendell Holmes said, "Through our great good fortune, in our youth our hearts were touched with fire." To begin with that fire is only the start. To keep it there throughout a lifetime is the secret.

Go confidently into the world filled with idealism and hearts that always are touched with fire and burn with passion. My fondest wish is that all your dreams will come true.

Godspeed.



Michael Barnaby and Daisy Martinez



Young Jee Kim



Tim Lang and Lindsey Hery



Dr. Lipman Honored for Years of Service

Following are the words delivered by Headmaster Marty Doggett when Dr. Bill Lipman was honored at the GDA Honors Convocation on May 24, 2005.

Schools are vibrant places characterized by an endless stream of non-stop activity. This is a community that celebrates and encourages participation in the rich array of educational, athletic and cultural opportunities. Our involvement in activities assumes and takes for granted that we are healthy. We know however, that this isn't always the case. From time to time, ankles are broken, anterior cruciate ligaments are ruptured and skulls are lacerated. For the last decade, The Governor Dummer Academy community has been extraordinarily fortunate to have had one of the region's premier orthopedic physicians affiliated with our school. Dr. Bill Lipman is the parent of three Academy graduates and is a highly respected doctor in his field. The quality of care, the level of expertise and the quotient of concern he has given to students and faculty over the years has been remarkable. There was no such thing as an inconvenient time for Dr. Lipman. He was available late nights, weekends and holidays; he responded to emergencies as they arose. His patients were always treated with great skill and the utmost respect.



Looking Back, Looking Ahead

The following was delivered by Lindsey Hery at the Senior-Faculty Dinner on May 27, 2005.

First off, let me begin with a congratulations to my fellow seniors on making it this far. It's been an incredible experience and I cannot believe it's over. I do not think many other high school students had an experience quite like ours. Not only have we attended classes together but also the majority of us have lived together. We are more than friends or classmates, we're a family. I hope that you all agree you'll never find another place like this.

As I look ahead to college, I realize that it is going to be hard to find people who appreciate the GDA humor. Not many students are going to get a kick out of a simple "hieeee" or a "bring the pain" or even a "take a lap." And I'll never have another opportunity to have almost my whole school in one room for 15 minutes between my second and third class to sit there and just stare at each other. In college, the library will most likely not be the cool place to hang out and the love tactic won't be to push each other into bushes on a brisk walk back from the library at night.

I will not be able to see my English professor school my friends on the basketball court or find one who will offer to be in a tight spandex outfit for a morning meeting video. Maybe my new close friends won't be up for making a mnemonic device with our first initials either... damn.

I sometimes think about whether or not I will be able to walk by everyone, know them by name, say Hi everyday, and think that it won't be considered weird next year. I hope our future classmates accept the word "sketch," because it is an excessively used word in the GDA students' vocabulary. Never again can I sit at my computer looking at web shots for hours and not be considered a loser. The all school email scene will most likely be very weak, and maybe we all won't check our email four times a day.

On Friday nights, I probably won't be engaging in a friendly game of dodge ball and I bet the guys won't be playing wiffle ball or basketball everyday until dark. On Thursday night, we will all be yearning to get our weekends signed but no one will be there to sign them. No more blue / red / yellow / pink or any other color book or paper that grants us permission to leave campus either.

There are so many things that will never come close to the GDA lifestyle. We may not realize it now but this place is so unique. We've had an opportunity to live with our best friends and spend an insane amount of time together. We've gotten to know people from all around the globe. We've had 24/7 available attention from teachers and awesome dorm parents. We have had the opportunity to grow and learn about ourselves without any limits. Take with you what you've learned here, the bonds you've shared, the laughs you laughed and the tears you've cried. Share them with the people you are spending your next stage in life with. But never forget, you're never going to find another place quite like this. Thank you. ▀

Moulton Achievement Awards



Moulton Award recipients: Samantha Boulais; Bruce McCullough; Kai Bynum; and Peter-Donat Kazarinoff

Rey Moulton, a Governor Dummer graduate of the Class of 1956 and currently a Trustee of the Academy, has endowed a series of annual awards to honor the working people who keep our school progressive and dynamic.

The Moulton Achievement awards are based on a model from Mr. Moulton's own successful business career. They represent twelve significant cash gifts that are divided among teachers, administrators and staff. The pool of candidates for this honor comes

exclusively from nominations from fellow colleagues on the faculty and staff. Award winners from the previous three years are ineligible for consideration as well as current holders of teaching chairs and any faculty or staff new to or departing from GDA. The previous year's winners serve as a selection committee who narrow the field to finalists whose names are then presented to the Headmaster. To date, 52 different members of the GDA family have been so honored.

This year's winners are:

Science teacher **Bruce McCullough**
 Assistant Director of Admission **Samantha Boulais**
 Science teacher **Peter Kazarinoff**
 Nurse and trainer **Danielle Kingsbury**
 English and drama teacher **Paul Wann**
 Associate Director of Admission **Peter Kravchuck**

Music teacher and choral director **Chris Drelich**
 Buildings and Grounds worker **Bruce Rogers**
 English teacher **Kai Bynum**
 Library Administrative Assistant and Manager of Archives **Kate Pinkham**
 Spanish teacher **Olga deGrasse**
 Buildings and Grounds worker and coach **Scott Kingsbury**

HATS OFF!

Congratulations to the following members of our community who were honored this spring for their years of service.

Five years

Greg Waldman
 Peter Rutkauskas
 Dewey Mann
 Caroline Kimball
 Steve Ogden
 Yarela Jara
 Shawn Markey

Ten years

Kathy Goyette
 Penny Aham
 Danielle Kingsbury

Fifteen years

Mel Huberdeau
 Dick Savage
 Anita Ceven-Leonard
 Babe Ceglarski

Twenty years

Paul Wann
 Mike Karin
 John Seufert

Twenty-five years

Sandy Keyes
 Libby Marshall
 Dave Moore

Thirty Years

Joan Ryan

Teachers and Staff Leaving:

Meg Clavin
 Nancy Warner
 Matt Hunt
 Sheila Taintor
 Mary Leary

Mr. Hunt Shares Some Wisdom...

The following is abridged from a speech delivered at the Senior/Faculty Dinner by departing mathematics teacher Matt Hunt.

When I was approached in March about speaking tonight, I was quickly overcome by flattery and shortly thereafter the immediate need to get to a restroom. I honestly became sick to my stomach. While modesty has never quite suited me, I was genuinely at a loss. Being asked to speak tonight was probably the second greatest honor I've ever received... (I'm sorry, did I say second, that's a typo... you see, she was reading this over my shoulder and I fed her some line about her hand in marriage being the first)...

What could I possibly have to say that could be of use to these graduating seniors? I am honestly in awe of you people. The way you carry yourselves, the way you look out for each other, the way you run, jump, sing, skate, dance, debate, dodge, draw, drum, derive, wear four polo shirts at the same time... you're all much better at this whole high school thing than I ever was, and you'll probably be much better at this 20-something thing than I am now. I gave serious consideration to declining the invitation to speak, but felt that, if nothing else, the people who forgot to vote for

somebody who speaks gooder need to learn the importance of participating in democracy, sort of like the people from California who didn't vote and now have the "It's not a tumor" guy as a governor.

So, I had to come up with a speech. The seniors, some of whom worship the quicksand I walk on, deserved something inspired. Luckily, I had the support of my colleagues. Mr. Markey told me he was looking forward to being here tonight because he always wondered what it would look like if Mr. Ed delivered his lines facing the other way.

This shouldn't be that hard, I thought. I'm the most long-winded person I know. I love telling stories, stories about ill-fated trips to Papa Gino's, sneaking into the sold-out Georgia Dome to watch the SEC Championship game, finding out that climbing a barbwire fence is about as pleasant as it sounds, and so on.

I had a roommate who once shot his uncle's cow because he mistook it for a deer. You see, it was standing next to a tree that sort of gave it antlers, and he couldn't see it that well because

he was shooting from the bathroom window, which didn't have good sightlines. I'm not making this up; he was voted most likely to succeed in his high school. The cow, like the story, lives on.

There was the time in the faculty-JV hoop game when the starters for the faculty were getting a little winded. Coach Searles needed a substitute. He looked down the bench and saw me sitting next to Mr. Wotton. I hadn't played in the second half, and Wotty had come out of the game just minutes before saying he was pretty sure he had a broken rib. I won't tell you what call Mr. Searles made, but apparently the English Department isn't quite convinced that an intact skeletal structure is all that important. Thanks, Swami.

When I think of these stories, it is clear that they all have one very important similarity. They are much fonder in my mind because of the people I was with. Over the next few years, you will meet hundreds of people. Some of them will become your friends, and if you're lucky, a handful will remain close to you well past your next gradua-

tion. These will be your most valuable possessions, so take care of them. Have the guts to say you're sorry sometimes, and grant forgiveness a time or two as well.

One of the few unpleasant parts of planning my upcoming wedding is figuring out what to do with some old teammates of mine who used to be the best of friends but let things like money and pride come between them. Both are right, and both are wrong, but because nobody budged, they haven't spoken in years.

If you look around tonight, you'll see some people who would not be here if GDA were a one-strike school, and think of how glad that you are that they are here to share this weekend of celebration with you. So, if I have any advice, it's to never let yourself be a one-strike friend.

Recently, I received an email from the editors of *The Governor*. I was expecting the usual "Thank you for submitting an article, but we prefer not to publish slang terms for parts of the anatomy." Instead, they wanted some information for their "Departing Faculty" section.

They asked what I'd learned in my time here, and it occurred to me that I'd learned a lot...

- That it's appropriate to stand when Mr. Doggett announces a kudo for you. If nothing else, it'll help the person five rows away find you when they catch it.

- That a varsity letter jacket can make you look old-school, or in Gibbie's case, like the red-headed kid from Happy Days developed a thyroid problem.

- That no baseball team had ever come back from 3 games down to win a series.

- That despite all it's done to him, Bryan Dodge still loves nature.

- That under the right circumstances, a senior in the fourth quarter will do more homework for softball than Precalculus.

- That Andrew Guyton is good at not talking over your head for the same reason midgets are good at being short.

- That true terror is the feeling you get when Mr. Leavitt waits for the first Cum Laude kid to walk all the way up to the stage before announcing the second name.

- That a rookie math teacher should not take Chris Genovese's word as to when G-block ends.

- That the Brooks School is a humble little institution with much to be humble about.

- That according to certain Trustees, if I walk up to a girl in a bar, say "Hi, my name is Matt" and she gives me the brush-off, I should legally change my name and try again.

- That losing a championship football game by a point stings a bit, but it's not quite as bad if you see the irony when Mr. Gerry talks about coming up just a hair short of something.

- That even on your worst day at GDA, you can still count on a few things... Mr. Moonves ready with a firm handshake, Chris at the bookstore willing to listen to all your troubles, and Lily Kingsbury with the smile to make you forget them. And for a bad day, that's not too bad.

Seniors, a lot of people are going to say a lot of nice things about you this weekend, and the funny thing is, they'll all be right. Have a fabulous weekend. ▀

Students and Teachers Study in Japan

GDA students Angela Hasler, Allan Bradley, Alex McLain and Dan'l Doggett traveled to Japan this summer with GDA science teachers Judy Rokous and Susan Oleszko, thanks to the Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund (JFMF).

JFMF has been working with Dr. Shirayama from Kyoto University who is part of an international group of scientists investigating marine diversity. The idea is to get high school students involved in data collection as part of a serious scientific endeavor. The trip is fully underwritten by a grant from the Japanese government.

GDA participants first traveled to Kyoto for a "cultural experience," including a visit to the university. Then they took the train to Shirahama, on the coast of Japan south and west of Tokyo in Wakayama Prefecture. There they met the team from Soma High School where all of them were introduced to the techniques of collection as specified by NaGISA and Dr. Shirayama. They stayed in the marine station with their Japanese counterparts. The students gave presentations at the end of the three-day experience about what they learned and what they propose to do next year.

Then they traveled to Soma, on the coast of Japan north of Tokyo in Fukushima Prefecture, for some touring.

This fall, GDA will host the Soma students and be responsible for collecting data on our coasts. The protocol to be used for collection is very detailed and specific and will involve some diving. GDA participants will have to carefully identify and verify samples, and the data they collect will be entered into an international information bank.

SAVE THE DATE! SAVE THE DATE! SAVE THE DATE!



**GDA Golf
Classic**

Wednesday, September 28, 2005

Essex County Club, Manchester, MA

*Number of Golfers limited to 128.
Open to Alumni, Parents, and Friends.*

For more information or to register contact Mike Moonves at 978-499-3152

Proceeds to benefit The Governor Dummer Athletic Hall of Fame

A Parent's Perspective

The following is an abridged version of a speech delivered by Janet Splaine P'05, '08 at Baccalaureate on May 28, 2005 in Moseley Chapel.

I once read, "Giving birth is little more than a set of muscular contractions granting passage to a child. Then the mother is born." On October 7, 1987 my world was forever changed with the birth of our daughter Ruth. Being somewhat "cliché" our journey into parenthood began. Two years later our daughter Decia was born and our family was complete. Milestones were recorded in baby books, photo albums and hours of video. Sleep deprivation was the norm, and some would agree that even now that is still true.

We all have mementos that we hold dear from those early years. The well worn copies of 'Goodnight Moon' or 'One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish'; the baby teeth tucked away in a box in the back of a bureau that the tooth fairy once exchanged for a shiny half dollar; the paper chains, hand painted ornaments and the reindeer whose head is made out of a walnut with peanut shells for antlers and googly eyes and a red sequined nose that we hang on the Christmas tree each year.

We all have memories of those years as well. We moaned our way through the teething, the terrible twos and potty training. We marveled as you said your first words and took your first steps, (soon followed by running at full tilt through the house). We all longed for daddy to come home at the end of a long rainy day. We soaked you in oatmeal baths and rubbed calamine lotion on itchy, oozy chicken pox. And I, for one, walked my girls into their first grade class-

rooms and kissed them goodbye. Only when I got back into my car did I begin to cry knowing my little girls were beginning another leg of their life's journey that would encompass new experiences, influences and friendships. So many worries, so little time.

A new journey began four and a half years ago. For us it was literally a daily journey. Ruth is a day student here at Governor Dummer Academy and we began the everyday commute back and forth to Byfield. By the way, I am pretty sure that Ann Marie Bergman has logged the most miles back and forth to school out of all the parents here!

I remember well those first few awkward and exciting days. We made our way through registration and Ruth was off for Unity Days. I will never forget your first day of classes freshman year. On September 11, 2001 the day started out with excitement and anticipation. Yet by 11 a.m., we as a nation and the world, stood in disbelief as the events unfolded at the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. David's and my first instinct was to call both Decia's school and GDA to be assured you both were alright. As the next few days passed we, as a nation, were brought to tears mourning such terror. During your time here at Governor Dummer Academy not only have you and I changed, but so has the world around us.

I remember telling Ruth just to be herself, friendly and nice, and that everyone else was just as nervous about making the right first impression. I believe she hit her comfort level second semester. She was so happy to be in Mr. Ogden's English class

and began to talk about a girl named Kelsey. Mr. Ogden would become Ruth's advisor and a dear friend of the family. So dear, in fact, that in honor of Ruth's graduation he and David are celebrating by playing in a golf tournament next weekend together. Oh, by the way, the tournament is in Bermuda and Ruth, Decia and I won't be making the trip. I think it had something to do with logistics? The good news is that Steve is also Decia's advisor and he's not done with me yet! And, oh yes, Kelsey, she is a dear friend of the family and constantly entertains us with her stories and opinions.

The summer before this class's freshman year a friend shared a nice thought with me. She had driven her son to St. Sebastian's each day for two years and she relished the time they had together each morning and evening in the car. She said that I would have quality time to talk and catch up with what's going on with Ruth. I would soon find out how interesting our time together could be.

I quickly realized the drive down to school in the morning would be quiet. Ruth might try to look over vocabulary or finish reading an assignment. Yet, most of the time she would fidget with the radio and we would listen to 10 stations in 20 seconds. Just as a song came on that I liked and would begin to sing to, it would be gone! The ride home in the evening could wind up being quiet, as well. I know it was a long day and that once home you still had homework to finish. I don't think I asked tough questions, just the normal ones...How was your day? Do you think you did well on the test? What did you do

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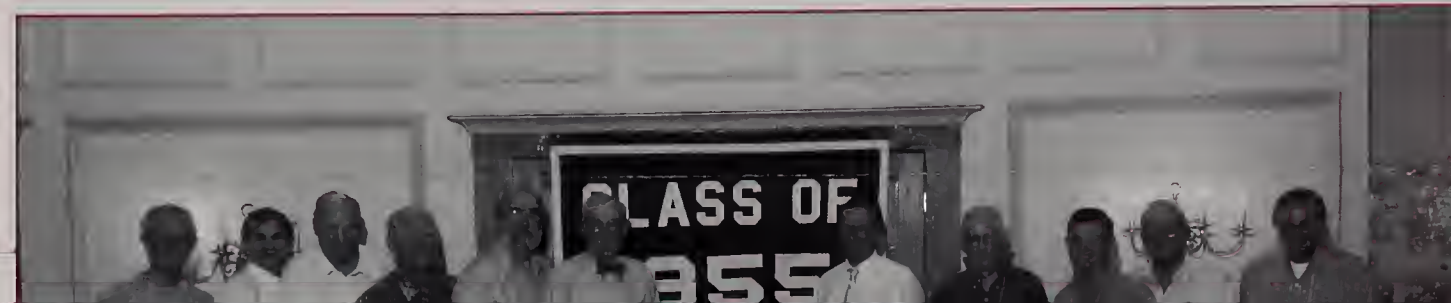
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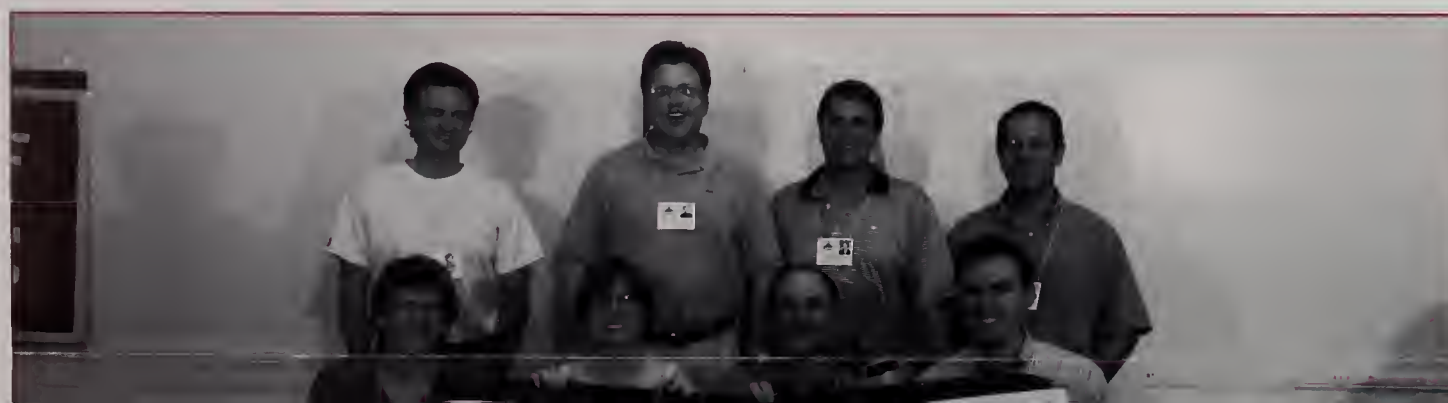
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senior on the basketball court. And this year, I attended a few wrestling matches: a sport that I have never known much about and now have a genuine appreciation for. I have traveled to away field hockey and soccer games, been watching and cheering under the lights at Bondy Centre for the GDA athletes. The more I know, the more I gain appreciation for my coaches and the PAC. I have been in several of the meetings in the PAC, where they are doing so many things to bring an excellent program such as Kirby and his staff, and the Men's Club Manager, who took time and effort to make sure I have been involved in the program.

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may as GSA were made available even if they resided in other schools for GSA activities. I have been involved with GSA for the last year and I would like to see all students through the GSA program. I would enjoy helping out in the GSA program and would like to encourage students and their families. On this

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at practice? I would try talking about my activities of the day or use it as a time to offer advice. Erma Bombeck once said, "When your mother asks, 'Do you want a piece of advice?' it's a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway." Some trips home were a battle of the wills as to carrying on a conversation. And many times as I drove along, and I know many of you parents have can relate to this as well, I felt like Charlie Brown's teacher. "Wa wa wa". Ruth figured out if she nodded her head I might believe that she was truly listening. So while I have you all right here...just a few more words of advice... (I see you nodding your heads!)

- Always try your best
- Don't judge a book by its cover
- Be true to yourself
- Surprises are the best
- Never go to a doctor whose office plants have died and
- Seize the moment. Remember all those women on the Titanic who waved off the dessert cart.

Not all of my trips to Governor Dummer were to drop off or pick up Ruth. And some days my trips to GDA were made multiple times. I also traveled to other schools for GDA activities. I have been involved with the Allies for four years and I have made wonderful friendships through the group. I have especially enjoyed helping out in the Admissions office and speaking to perspective students and their families. On those days that I volunteer I would usually pop into the dining room to see Ruth and her friends. Her friends would always wave and motion me to come and sit down with them, most times to Ruth's chagrin.

I have enjoyed watching your children on the athletic fields. What could be better on a Saturday afternoon in the fall than watching a football or soccer game in Byfield? We are particularly fond of hockey in our family and be it a bit cold, still savor watching the boys' and girls' games at the rink. This past winter I watched Decia play hockey for the first time with the JV girls team. Audrie, Meg, Hannah and Nicole were so nice to the younger girls. I have been impressed when underclassmen cheer for their

proctor on the basketball court. And this year I attended a few wrestling matches, a sport that I have never known much about and now have a greater appreciation for. I have traveled to away field hockey and soccer games, tennis matches and football games under the lights at Bentley College to cheer on our GDA athletes. Their determination and good sportsmanship never ceases to amaze me. I have been in awe of your children in the PAC whether they are acting in a play, singing or playing an instrument in concert, such as Kelsey and her cello, or conducting the Messiah. Chris McKinnon did just that with such talent and composure at the winter concert. I have visited the Kaiser Art Gallery and I have been amazed by the artwork on display. Lindsey Hery's photography is beautiful. This is truly a school where our children's inner talents have been able to shine!

I have been asked over the last few weeks if I had written my perspective for today yet. Oh, I had jotted down thoughts on Dunkin Donuts' napkins with a felt tipped pen in the car and scribbled notes onto a yellow legal pad at my desk in the kitchen. Maybe it was the anxiety of speaking before all of you or just that I didn't want this part of the journey to end. For the past year Ruth has been driving herself and Decia to and from school. But I had one more time that I had to "pick up" Ruth at Governor Dummer Academy and it came in the early hours this past Sunday morning. As I drove down to school on a rainy, lonely stretch of Rt. 95 at 2:30 in the morning the Beatles sang, "...you and I have memories longer than the road stretched out before us...on our way home; we're on our way home." Not until this past Sunday evening did I sit down and earnestly begin to write this perspective. Life is a journey. As you all graduate tomorrow, your journey here will come to an end. But you have so many more journeys ahead of you. I will begin driving Decia to and from school in the fall. Our home will be a bit more quiet. But I will have the memories of all of the class of 2005 for a lifetime. And I will try not to cry because it is over, but to smile because it happened. ▀



Library Services Director Takes Talents to the Course...

After 14 years of service to GDA, Mrs. Mary Leary, Director of Library Services and the Archives, retired at the end of the academic year. When she was hired, Leary recalls, the library consisted of 5,000 square feet in the Frost Building. There were no book carts, no computers, no automated catalog and no book security system. Bricks often served as bookends. With the support of then headmaster Peter Bragdon, Leary spoke with the GDA Trustees about the need for significant improvements to the library.

For six years, Leary then oversaw from start to completion the construction of the Carl A. Pescosolido Library, which now houses 31,000 books and 25 computers and occupies 21,000 square feet of space. As Director of Library Services, Leary spent endless hours dedicated to the work but always felt the joy of working with the students made it worthwhile. "The most gratifying aspect of working at GDA," says Leary, "is that the pervading spirit of the school is that all things are possible. It is so exciting to witness a student engage in some activity for which they have 'little ability' in their minds, only for them to find that it is in fact interesting and enjoyable. I have appreciated the attitude of faculty, administrators and trustees that asks, 'How can we do this?'. I think this sense of empowerment may be one of the most important values we give our students."

Leary hopes to spend her retirement reading, watching her favorite baseball team — the Boston Red Sox, enjoying the company of her husband, son, daughter-in-law, and friends, and playing golf.

Interview by Jen Tomich '08

First Annual Arts Awards

GDA's Fine Arts Department hosted its first annual arts award ceremony on Thursday, May 5 in The Performing Arts Center. Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors were recognized for their accomplishments in studio art, ceramic art, photography and film, instrumental music, vocal music, dance, and technical theater. Selected seniors offered retrospective comments on their years working in the arts at GDA.

Freshman Art Award: Alison Hoffman

Sophomore Art Award: Michaela Early

Junior Art Award: Yu Jin Lee

Photo Award: Sean Cho

Film Award: Todd Eudailey

IFA-Film Award: Christopher Barrand

Freshman Ceramics Award: Anna Smith

Sophomore Ceramics Award: Danielle Dillihunt

Junior Ceramics Award: Sean Murphy

Freshman Award for Orchestra: Kerk Soursourian

Freshman Award for Jazz Band: Kelly Pope

Sophomore Award for Orchestra: Allan Bradley

Sophomore Award for Jazz Band: Kanin Maneepairoj

Junior Award for Orchestra: Hyunwoo Cho

Junior Award for Jazz Band: Charles Grant

Computer Design Award: Royce Lee Kwon

Animation Award: David Shack

IFA-Tech Award: David Rodriguez

Freshman Tech Award: Cynthia Figueroa

Sophomore Tech Award: Jess Petrie

Junior Tech Award: Ki Young Kim

GraceAnn Repczynski Tech Award: Jack Lamson

Outstanding Freshman Vocal Musician: Liana Conway

Outstanding Sophomore Vocal Musician: Jenna Glendye

Outstanding Sophomore Vocal Musician: Evan Jones

Outstanding Junior Vocal Musician: Molly Brierley

Outstanding Junior Vocal Musician: Hannah Miner

Director's Award in Chorus: Giovany Morales

The Theatre Award: Charles Nicholson

Outstanding Freshman Dancer: Sophie Kuller

Outstanding Sophomore Dancer: Ana Almeyda-Cohen

Outstanding Junior Dancer: Lauren Budd

Murphy/Mercer Awards for Creative Writing

The winners of the 2005 Murphy/Mercer Creative Writing Contest are:

A. MacDonald Murphy Short Story Winner: Devin Gmyrek

Thomas McClary Mercer Poetry Winner: Charles Grant '06

Second Place: Brian Morrissey '05

Third Place: Charles Grant '06



Cereality

By Charles Grant

What if problems could be solved by eating Cap'n Crunch,
if answers came in the form of magical ships
bearing corn-crunchy delight.

What if things always went your way?
You could find security in the knowledge that (silly rabbit)
Trix are for kids, not for rabbits.
By this unspoken agreement, everybody would be O.K.,
and maybe do a little flop-eared dance.

What if you knew a leprechaun on first-name basis,
If your issue of choice
was the search for more colorful marshmallows
And your favorite place was an entire country
where colors stream and sparkle instead of smudge and stain.

But in the end you know all colorful marshmallows
Melt into bluish-grey milk.
which, like the painful plainness of truth,
must be swallowed and wiped away with a napkin
once breakfast-time is over.



Thorndike Hilton Citation

Presented at Commencement by Academic Dean Elaine White

This scholar understands intuitively that which confounds many of us. This past summer, in order to alleviate a scheduling conflict, she readily exchanged Honors Physics for Advanced Placement Physics, despite having had no prior experience with that science. She carried four advanced placement courses as a senior, including Advanced Placement English, French and BC Calculus and earned virtually perfect scores in every class. She handles challenges, be they academic, athletic or artistic, with aplomb, working assiduously with her characteristic diligence and attention to detail until she achieves excellence.

She is a talented ceramicist, musician and vocalist who, even when rendering a difficult orchestral piece or capturing a song's innuendo, through the glint in her eye and the twitch of her smile, exudes brilliance.

She also completes the family triad. Each of her sisters has won either the Moody-Kent prizes or the Thorndike-Hilton Cup, and although her sisters may not agree, perhaps this family has indeed saved the best scholar for last. From Byfield, Massachusetts, the highest-ranking scholar for the class of 2005 is **Hilary Scheintaub**.

Kelleher Family Faculty Recognition Prize

The Kelleher Family Prize is awarded to the faculty member who, in the best tradition of mastery teaching, has demonstrated extraordinary commitment to students in all areas of GDA life.

The recipient must be a faculty member who has been at GDA for at least three years. He or she must have had substantial contact that would involve a combination of classroom teaching, advising, dormitory responsibilities, coaching or other extracurricular activities. The donors have asked that there be no repeat winners.

Members of the class of 2005 proposed a slate of nominees for this award. This year's honoree appeared on more ballots than anyone else. This was more than a function of popularity; it speaks to the respect and esteem that this individual has earned from the student body. He has the reputation of being a master teacher. There is a mutual respect between him and his students that makes his classroom a healthy environment for learning.

He is patient, clear, thorough and fair. He is extremely generous about providing extra help for students; even to those who are not currently in any of his sections. In many cases he has been a "miracle worker" for a struggling student. He is a supportive presence at student athletic events, concerts, art openings and special events. His commitment to GDA and his unselfishness are worthy of emulation.

It is my distinct pleasure to award the Kelleher Prize to **Michael Karin**.

The Joseph G. Cook, Jr. Faculty Enrichment Grant

To honor the memory of Joseph G. Cook, Jr. of the Class of 1953 his family, classmates, and friends have established an endowment to support our Faculty Enrichment Program. The Joseph Cook Endowment Grant will be awarded each year to an eligible member of the faculty and will enable that individual to pursue a topic of professional interest.

This year's recipient is **John Seufert** of the Foreign Language Department. John plans to use his grant to pursue a program of oil painting and photography along the Maine Coast this summer.

Ferriero Strikes Gold!



Benn Ferriero '05 received the John C. Carlton Award from the Bruins' General Manager Mike O'Connell at morning meeting on Friday, May 6. The award, voted on by the Bruins and NHL scouts, recognizes the student-athlete in Massachusetts who best combines exceptional hockey skills with academic excellence, and whom the voters feel has the potential to play in the NHL.

In April, Benn helped the United States National Under-18 Team earn the gold medal in the 2005 International Ice Hockey Federation World Under-18 Championship in the Czech Republic with a 5-1 win over Canada at the Plzen Arena.

Benn plans to play hockey for Boston College in the fall.



Caroline Ott '05

GIRLS VARSITY TRACK

The 2005 GDA girls track team was led by three senior captains: Daisy Martinez, Caroline Ott, and Hannah Sylvester. On a team with many young runners, these three provided outstanding leadership.

At the ISL Championships, Sylvester and sophomore Keara Thomas led GDA to a third place finish. Hannah set a new ISL meet and GDA school record, in winning the high jump at 5'3". Hannah also was third in the 300h with a time of 51.07. She finished fifth in the long jump. Keara Thomas was voted the MVP for runners after winning the 1500 with a time of 4:55. She then led a 1-2-3 finish for GDA in the 800. Freshman Kelly Pope, 2:25.9, and senior Caroline Ott, who ran a best race of her season, followed Thomas. Thomas also anchored the 4x400, which finished second.

Junior Caroline Turnbull finished third in the 1500 with a time of 5:07.

Freshman standout Tara Karin continued her undefeated season in the javelin with a throw of 115'1" and placed fourth in the triple jump.

The following week at the New England meet, Tara led the way for the lady Governors as they placed third out of eleven schools. Tara won the javelin with a personal best of 126'10. She was runner up in the triple jump with a personal best jump of 33'1. She also placed fourth in the 100 hurdles in a time of 18.44.

That's a remarkable accomplishment for any athlete, and that much more extraordinary for a freshman. Sophomore Keara Thomas placed second in the 1500 with a time of 4:54 and third in the 800 in 2:24.2. Freshman Kelly Pope was fourth in the 800 at 2:24.4. Junior Caroline Turnbull was third in the 3000 at 11:30, and fourth in the 1500 at 5:09. Senior Hannah Sylvester was third in both the high jump and the long jump.

"I am very pleased with the girls' performances. Our team goal every year is to be in the top three at the New England's," said Head coach Tim Weir. "The newcomers on the girls team really matured as the season progressed. I think all the coaches are very excited about the next few years."



James Lawrence '06

BOYS VARSITY TRACK

Senior Nick Berluti and junior Andrew Huebner led the way for the Gobs all season. Berluti posted best times of 1:57 in the 800 and 4:06 in the 1500. Huebner had personal bests of 4:08 for the 1500 and an amazing 9:01 for the 3000m. Andrew's time was within three seconds of the school record.

According to Coach Abu, that is the second fastest 3000 a GDA runner has ever run. Nursing a pulled muscle at the ISL Track Championships, Berluti was second in the 800 and third in the 1500. Huebner finished second in the 1500 and third in the 3000. Senior Andrew Guyton, a first-year thrower, finished second in the discus with a personal best throw of 126'9".

Junior James Lawrence ran very well and posted season bests in the 200, 23.39, for a third place, and 11.44 in the 100, for fifth.

In a meet that had only 25 points separating the top five teams, GDA's boys fifth place finish was well earned.

At the New England Division II meet, the boys team finished just two points out of second place. Senior Nick Berluti won the 800 in a time of 1:59 and placed second in the 1500 at 4:07. Senior Andrew Guyton continued to improve in the discus to 130' 10", which was good for a third place.

Senior Justin Leonard capped off his fourth year on the team by winning the high jump with a clearance at 6'0" and placed fourth in the pole vault at 11'0".

Senior Russell Bradley made the most of his last meet by placing third in the pole vault by clearing a personal best 11'6".

"I am very pleased with the boys' performances this season. We had an equal number of returnees and newcomers and they came together well. Our team goal every year is to be in the top three at the ISL and New England meet," said head coach Tim Weir. "Our seniors have really seen the program grow over their four years. It was great to see them lead the way at the New England's. I hope their performance that day is something that they will always remember."

VARSITY GIRLS LACROSSE

The girls varsity lacrosse team had a difficult season this year with five one-goal losses and a great deal of bad weather that forced them to play three games a week for most of the spring. The team finished the season 6-10. Though the team was short on wins, the girls showed a great deal of talent and enjoyed some success on which to build next season. The team graduated four seniors, Torie Allen, Jen Muscatello and cap-



Jen Muscatello '05

tains Julie O'Shaugnessey and Kelsey Johnson. All of the seniors will be going on to play in college: Allen at William Smith, Muscatello at Villanova and Johnson at UNH. O'Shaugnessey will likely play club lacrosse at UNH. The seniors will be a loss to the program but leave the team with a better knowledge of what they need to do to succeed.

The highlights of the season included two big wins, one over St. Mark's and the other over Middlesex. Coming off a one-goal loss to St. Paul's, GDA took the field motivated to avenge their close loss and beat St. Mark's. All aspects of GDA's game came together that day. The players passed the ball well, came up with a majority of the draws, and played as a team on both attack and defense. The Middlesex win by one was by far the most exciting of the season. Scoring went back and forth and the score was tied for most of the game. In the final minutes the Middlesex goalie came up with a great save. GDA was marking Middlesex tightly and the goalie was forced out of the net. Mackenzie Pelletier '06 pressured the goalie, causing a turn-over, and went to goal. This put the Gobs up 8-7 with a minute thirty left on the clock. GDA was then able to hang on to its lead due to smart defensive play, some great saves from Kristen Moores '06, and some lucky deflections off the goal post.

Despite their record, a number of GDA players received special recognition this season. Kelsey Johnson '05 was voted team MVP, All-League, NEPSAC All-Star and honorable mention All-American. Torie Allen '05 was also a NEPSAC All-

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Star. Margaret Metz '07 was awarded the Coaches' Award and All-League honorable mention. In addition to these awards, Metz and Liza Tarr '06 were chosen to represent lower New England at the National Tournament. Tarr and Amy Block were elected as captains of next year's squad.

BOYS VARSITY LACROSSE



Jeff Muscatello '08

The 2005 Governor Dummer boys varsity lacrosse team had a successful season, finishing with a record of 12 wins against 4 losses. The 11-4 ISL record put the team in 6th place – one game behind three teams tied for third, and two games behind two teams that tied for the championship. Despite some miserable weather conditions, and some injuries, not to mention a schedule that had the boys playing the other five best teams in a 12-day span – and four of those were away games – the team worked hard to continually improve. Clearly, lessons were

learned regarding the value of teamwork, hard work, and mental discipline. Some highlights of the season were a convincing 11-3 win vs. Tabor, an 8-6 win vs. a strong Thayer team on the road, and a 13-4 blowout of Brooks in the season finale. This season saw a return of both the Anderson-Gillespie Cup (for winning the St. Paul's game) and the GDA-Tabor Challenge Cup to their places of honor in our locker room. The team said goodbye to seniors Brian Morrissey, Chris Colarusso, Kevin Kapstad, D.J. Ward, Gardiner Parker, Aaron Moberger, Nick Clark and Jon Mahoney. However, the coaches will welcome the return of a strong nucleus of experienced players, led by rising seniors Martin Cahill, Corey Spinale, Jared Wood, Kevin Campbell and Dewey Dubord. They expect to remain very competitive next season with the addition of some JV players who capped off an impressive season with a 15-1 record. Post-season honors went to Brian Morrissey '05, senior captain and defenseman who was named team MVP, All-ISL, All-New England, Boston Globe All Scholastic, All-America, and ISL MVP. Brian will attend Williams College next season and expects to contribute to their lacrosse and football programs. Joining Brian on the All-ISL team were goalie Corey Spinale '06, midfielder Martin Cahill '06, and long stick midfielder Tim Langmaid '07 (honorable mention). Captains for next season are Martin Cahill '06, Corey Spinale '06 and midfielder Jared Wood '06, a talented player who was injured for most of this season.

GOLF

This year's young and inexperienced team did not win many matches, finishing ninth out of eleven in the ISL, but showed a lot of grit and determination in coming close in most of the losses. The highlight of the season was a solid sixth place finish in the ISL Championship Tournament. Captains Daniel Lundquist '06 and Zachary Richards '06 provided able leadership. Lundquist was the year's MVP and Christopher Genovese '05 received the Quinzio Coach's Award.



David Shack '06



Lily Osowski '07

GIRLS VARSITY TENNIS

The 2005 season was a building year for the girls varsity tennis team. Although the team suffered from the loss, at times, of three of its six starters, the season was a learning experience for the players. Each match was approached as an opportunity to become a better tennis player; the emphasis was on learning how to play to win rather than lose. Whether up 40-love or down by that score, each player was encouraged to focus on the point being

played, eliminate negative thoughts, and not allow past errors to influence the next point. That said, the season was successful, as each player improved the level of her play and the mental approach to each point.

The team began the season with a fine player, freshman Anna Perocchi, at number one singles. She came to GDA as a solid player and quickly improved, but just as she was about to become a consistent winner in this, arguably, the toughest girls tennis league in New England, she was injured and sat out the rest of the season (over half of our matches). At the same time, the number three singles, junior Becky Roche, our most experienced and successful player, was also lost for the season.

At this point, most players had to move up two positions and play much tougher opponents than they had previously faced. Number two singles player, sophomore Lily Osowski, became number one. She raised her game in aggressive fashion, and by the end of the season, was very competitive, winning several sets.

Senior captain and leader Ruth Splaine moved up two spots to number two where she aggressively won several of her sets as well. Ruth's leadership earned her the Coaches Award at the end-of-season all sports banquet. Her classmate, senior Meg "Moon Ball" Owen, also moved up two spots to number three, where her slowing tactics frustrated some opponents and allowed her to win a few upset sets.

Number four singles, junior Hannah Miner, who has only been playing tennis for a little over a year, was able to squeeze out a couple of sets against more experienced players even though she too had moved up two slots.

The winner of the Most Improved Player Award at the banquet, freshman Jen Tomich, also a newcomer to the game, showed quite a bit of quickness and athleticism as she played an aggressive attacking game that should enable her to become a very successful player of the future for GDA.

Junior Emme Hughes and sophomore Ally Maker joined the varsity at the halfway point and showed marked improvement in play and mental toughness over the remainder of the season.

The goal for next year will be to bankroll the experienced gained this year into a winning season. The team will have to do it without the aid of two graduating seniors, Ruth Splaine and Meg Owen, but the play over the last part of the season indicates that the team should be much improved next year.

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Tom Roche '05

BOYS VARSITY TENNIS

The varsity boys tennis team finished the season with a 4-10 record, placing twelfth out of sixteen teams in the ISL. This year's showing is one of the best finishes for the GDA net men in a number of years. The team was captained by seniors Tom Roche, Andrew Weinstein, and Alex Whitney who provided a wealth of experience playing at the number one, three and six singles spots. The squad lost senior Brendan Giblin to graduation as well. Wilhelm Karde, a one-year student from Sweden, was a strong player who will be sorely missed. Next year's team will be captained by Todd Eudailey '06 and Cory Fisher '06. Peter Collins '07, Kanin

Maneepairoj '07, and Woo Seok Chun '08 are all returning to the squad. Collins played number four singles and number one doubles with Tom Roche this season. He will be the prime candidate for the number one singles position next year. Eudailey was named MVP for this season, and will probably pair up with Collins at the number one doubles position for next year. It was an enjoyable season despite the weather, and the returning players look forward to a chance to improve upon this year's record.



Ramon Tejada '05

Varsity Baseball

The Gavs played their best ball in recent years on their way to another winning season. Although the team did not get to complete the year with its annual



Brian Morrissey '05 and Barry Gately '52 at the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame Scholars, Athletic Awards Banquet on May 9, 2005

season final game with Brooks, due to inclement weather, the boys managed an 8-6 league record and a 9-7 overall record. That record does not do justice to the way this team performed. The team lost five games by one run in a tightly contested ISL, including a 2-1 loss after staff ace Matt Moore threw 6-2/3 perfect innings. Throughout the year, the defense and pitching were outstanding. The team turned what seemed to be a record number of double plays this year including three in one game with the hard work of three senior infielders: Captain Ramon Tejada at shortstop, Jim Zografos at second and captain Raul Cruz at first. Benn Ferriero returned from a three-week stint in the Czech Republic playing for the US National ice hockey team to go undefeated on the mound at 3-0 and lead the team with a .600 batting average. Making the all-league team were Ramon Tejada and Matt Moore. Nick Caro and Raul Cruz earned all-league honorable mention and Matt Moore was awarded ISL Co-Rookie of the year for posting a 3-2 record with a 1.8 ERA, losing both games 2-1. The Gobs will return 11 players for the 2006 campaign. With the help of a few strong players from the JV squad and a couple of strong arms coming in, the boys look to turn the tables on those one-run games and make a very strong run at the ISL title.



Erin Connors '06

Mark's School, 4-1 on the road.

The ISL championship was determined by the Governors' final game of the season against Brooks. The game was supposed to be played at Governor Dummer but, due to awful field conditions, the game was moved to Brooks in an attempt to get a full game played before the weather cancelled it all together. After six innings of play, the umpires called the game because the field was unplayable; GDA lost 4-2.

Despite the disappointment felt by the entire team at the loss to Brooks, the success of the whole season can't be overlooked. GDA played great softball all season and will be back in contention for the title next year. The Gobs lost short stop Erin Reil, pitcher Nikki Bitsack and outfielder Meredith Baker to graduation, but they will return a number of key players including all-league players Erin Connors, Lizzy Guyton, and Emilie Arthur, who was also named ISL MVP.

VARSITY SOFTBALL

Governor Dummer's varsity softball team finished its 2005 campaign with the most impressive record in the program's nine-year history, 16-1. The Governors started out the season with a big win (2-0) over Phillips Andover in the season opener. Another huge win came when GDA beat the defending league champions, St.

Morrissey Racks Up Accolades

Brian Morrissey '05 completed his athletic career at GDA with flying colors and enough awards to fill a field house. Morrissey, captain of the lacrosse team, was named team MVP, All League, Boston Globe All-Scholastic, Independent School League MVP, and All American. To cap it all off, at the June Boston Globe All Scholastics dinner, Brian was named New England Prep School Athletic Conference (NEPSAC) Athlete of the Year, the one athlete chosen

by the judges from all the prep schools in New England.

In the fall, Morrissey was football team captain, named team MVP, ISL MVP, All New England, and NEPSAC Class B Co-Player of the Year. He was then selected to receive The National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame Eastern Massachusetts Chapter Scholar-Athlete Award, and asked to play in the Shriners Classic annual all star football game this summer.

In the winter, Morrissey was captain of the hockey team, named All League, and received the Paul Wasson (unsung hero) Award.

Besides all that, Morrissey received the school's Goodwin Athletic Prize, the Moody Kent Prize in English, and second place in the Mercy Poetry contest. Not bad for a year's work!



Reunion 2005

Classes ending in "0" and "5" descended on campus for the annual Reunion Weekend, June 10-12. Over 300 visitors, including about 200 alums, withstood a heat wave to enjoy a memorable time with each other. Special thanks to Dan Leary '55, Bill Page '45, and Bob Adams '60 for hosting classmates at their homes.

The weekend was filled with a variety of activities including an exciting program for children of alumni. Once again the alumni music concert was a great success with old and young joining together to end the program with the Senior Song. Other highlights included champagne luncheons for the Old Guard and the Class of 1955, and lacrosse and baseball games featuring alums against alums. Troy Dagues '79 played in his 17th straight alumni baseball game. Thanks to all returning alums for coming back to campus. It's always great to have you.



Don Palais '45, Silvia Lunt, Barbara Page, and Bill Page '45



Members of The Class of 2000, Cat Sager, Yori Senser and Michelle Wheeler



Members of The Class of 1965, Eric Shepard, Charles Dunton and Tony Knapp



Jim Deveney '60 presents award to Warren Furth '44

Reunion Recognition Award

Jim Deveney, President of the Alumni Council, presented a special award in recognition of the alumnus traveling the farthest distance to attend Reunion Weekend 2005. The award was presented to an alumnus residing at Latitude 46.2000°, Longitude 6.2333°. If you are up on your world geography, you know that this is a long way to travel. Hailing from Switzerland, Warren Furth from the great Class of 1944 was presented with a token gift from the Academy.



Bill Friend '55 and his wife Judy

Alumnus of the Year Award

In a clambake hosted at the home of Dan Leary for the 50th Reunion Class, Headmaster Marty Doggett presented the Alumnus of the Year Award to a very surprised and appreciative Bill Friend '55. The Award is given annually to that graduate of the Academy who has been steadfast in his or her loyalty to the school and has shown an unwavering commitment to the Academy. "His gifts to GDA over the years have been regular and generous, the most generous of which enabled GDA to benefit from the presence of one of his children for four years," said Doggett. "As a volunteer, he is totally reliable, forever enthusiastic and optimistic; his work with his classmates in fundraising and in reunion attendance always produces high percentages. In essence, he is the consummate Class Agent. Few among us can match the kind of effort he gives on behalf of the Academy. He does all of this not only with a seriousness of purpose, but with charm and humor as well."

25th Annual Reunion Pie Race Draws Small but Stalwart Group!



(Left to right): Mike Werner, Becky Werner '85, Latin teacher Jeff Kelly '82, Matt Tomlinson '80, Catherine Correia '00, Elizabeth Turnbull '00, Amy Brayshaw (faculty spouse), and Jamie Brayshaw (faculty)

On the sunny, hot and humid Saturday of Reunion 2005, nine determined souls took to the 5k course for the 25th annual Reunion Pie Race. Though no one set a course record, the runners are to be commended for their perseverance! Matt Tomlinson '80 led the group, clocking in at 20:20; Jeff Kelly '85 (faculty) followed at 20:35; then Elizabeth Turnbull '00 at 23:22; Jamie Brayshaw (faculty) at 23:42; Becky (Chase) Werner '85 at 24:17; Amy Brayshaw (faculty spouse) at 24:45; David Abusamra (faculty) at 25:37; Mike Werner (Becky's husband) at 27:29; and Catherine Correia '00 at 30:52.

Meanwhile, 10 youngsters ran the 200m Tot's Trot Pie Race and also deserve accolades. Joey Rokous (8), Matt Werner (10), Jack Rokous (9), Emily White (10), Mia White (6), Lindsey Werner (8), Chris Werner (6), Shea Kelly (5), Owen Rokous (3.5) and Lily Kingsbury (3) were the determined runners who beat the heat to run the course.

Alumni Games Attract Dozens

Seventeen alumni baseball players and 30 alumni lacrosse players suited up for games during Reunion Weekend.



Alumni lacrosse players (with a few current students thrown in) included:

Jeremy Beech '04; Keith Blades '97; Craig Bonaventura '03; Martin Cahill '06; Chris Campbell '04; Dan Dipietro '96; Ben Dodge '03; Andrew Doggett '04; Patrick Gervais '92; Alexander Graham '02; Jeff Katz '87; Steve Krasco '04; Tim Langmaid '07; Nick Lapierre '92; John Leonard '03; Taylor Maheu '92; Marc McDonnell '00; Guss Mergins '92; Nick Mincolla '00; Aaron Moberger '05; Brian Morrissey '05; J.J. Morrissey '02; Gardner Parker '05; Jackson Parker '02; Chris Peabody '92; Stephen Peabody '92; Jake Rogers '04; Aaron Sells '96; Corey Spinale '06; Jared Wood '06.



Pictured is the winning baseball alumni team comprised of Ben Bizier '02; David Bohman '75; Lenn Ceglarski '02; Troy Dagres '79; Derek Falvey '01; Jason Randlett '96; Greg Waldman '87; and Eric Whittier '95. The rival team of Rick Binelli '99; Toby Bradford '04; Derek Brusin '03; Winston Burt '67; Chris Ebinger '03; Anthony Fusco '85; Tom Hyndman '04; Kevin McDormand '98; and Bob Sims '99 somehow eluded the camera.



Alums Play NCAA Tournament Lacrosse

Eight GDA alumni played NCAA tournament lacrosse this spring. That must be some kind of record! JJ Morrissey played for University of Virginia; Chris Campbell for Penn State; Taylor Brown and Steve Krasco for Springfield; Andrew Doggett for Denison; Delia Cox for University of Maryland; Jackie Swansburg for University of Richmond; and John Leonard for University of Vermont. Clearly GDA is doing its part in making lacrosse the fastest growing sport in the nation!



Matt Dow '95 and friend,
Eric Whittier '95



Sandra Pearson, David Graham '45, and
Ben Pearson '44



Michelle Wheeler '00 and
Marty Doggett



Members of The Class of 1985: Ron Dabrowski and
his wife Jessica Gould; Jon Nesbit and friend



Larry '55 and
Charlotte Eliot



Members of The Class of 1965: Eric Shepard, Jeff
Kane, and David Sullivan on the Historic Walking Tour
with GDA Archivist Kate Pinkham



Ellen, Sarah '00, Ben '62 and Heather '02

PAC Lounge Dedication; Jameson Family Honored

Members of the Jameson family, great supporters of GDA and the school's performing arts programs, were invited to officially dedicate the second floor lounge in the Performing Arts Center, named to honor their family's three generations of GDA graduates.

Art Jameson '38, the patriarch of the family, was not able to attend, but his son Ben '62, Ben's wife Ellen, and their daughters Sarah '00 and Heather '02 were there to cut the ribbon on Reunion Weekend, Saturday, June 11. In his remarks, Headmaster Marty Doggett spoke about Governor Dummer Academy as a place committed to family. He recognized not only the graduates in the Jameson family but also Ellen who, as a parent, devoted herself to all aspects of life in the GDA community, contributing a great amount of her time to promote those programs promoted by the GDA Allies.

The plaque in the lounge reads:

A Gift of
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MoodleMoot Conference

Library Services Director Susan Chase and Manager of Information Systems Aaron Mandel oversaw a very successful conference on Moodle, a course management system designed to enable educators to create quality online courses, on June 20-21. Moodle's creator, Martin Dougiamas traveled from Australia to address the group of teachers who hailed from as far away as Japan.



New Director of Advancement on Board

Ms. Lori Correale took over as Director of Advancement (formerly called Director of Development) on May 21, replacing Ms. Patricia Tobin (Peterman) who held the position from 1997-2005. After spending 13 years at Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Sloan School of Management, Correale sought a smaller and more intimate community. She chose GDA because of its size, the diversity among students, and the school's "unpretentious attitude." Her goal is to "help [GDA] raise the funds needed to continually enhance its position as a top tier boarding school," and to increase alumni support.

Correale holds a B.S. in Marketing and Communication from Boston University. She worked in the advertising industry for several years before moving into development in higher education. She is an avid photographer and enjoys spending time with her family, husband Henry Strzemilowski and four-year-old son Alexander. She has lived in Rockport, MA for 16 years.

Interview by Sander Crosett '06



Stewardship Coordinator Retires

Mrs. Nancy Warner, Stewardship Coordinator in the Development Office since 2000, retired June 30. Warner was brought on board as part of the Capital Campaign to establish a stewardship program. As she describes it, "Stewardship is about taking care of donors, keeping them in the loop, recognizing their efforts on behalf of the Academy. It's a donor relations position." Most gratifying part is the contact I've had with Governor Dummer alumni, parents, faculty, staff and students. The people here are wonderful colleagues and wonderful friends."

In her role, Warner was instrumental in planning Buster Navins' 90th birthday party in 2002 and creating an album for him, a compilation of cards and memories written by "the boys" Buster knew during his 40 years at GDA. She also organized the activities each year around Founder's Day and Memorial Day, but perhaps her proudest accomplishment was to be a part of the Emeritus event at Reunion 2003 that recognized faculty and staff who had served the school for 25 years or more in the 20th century.

Before coming to GDA, Warner worked at Pingree School in Hamilton, MA, and at Brookwood School in Manchester, MA. Warner hopes to spend her retirement traveling, visiting friends and enjoying family.



Widge '43 and Jonnie Thomas

Remember what you loved about being a student at GDA?

Pass it on.

A while ago I made a commitment in my will to provide for Governor Dummer Academy. Why?

Governor Dummer was the most significant factor in my young life.

1. Ted Eames took a chance on me.
2. I had to pass six subjects for two years in order to graduate in '43.

Right after graduation my father suggested, "Take off that red ribbon around that thing (the diploma) and see if it is signed!"

Later in life I found out that I was dyslexic. Why did I make it?

Buster Navins was a close friend and mentor to me as my corridor dorm master in Commons II; Art Sager was my wrestling coach and my means to get off campus with the Glee Club; Mac Murphy guided me in lacrosse; and Ed Dunning was able to explain math and algebra in a manner I could understand.

If my story has a familiar ring to graduates of my vintage and to graduates of a later time taught and rescued by the wonderful successors to these superb master teachers, I hope you will step forward and consider a Planned Gift to sustain the future of our great school.

By all means, contact Headmaster Emeritus Peter Bragdon, now Director of Planned Giving, or Lori Correale, our new Director of Advancement, to discover the approach which would be most appropriate for you.

Best regards.

Widge
Widger Thomas Jr.



In 2002, the Academy created the Schoolhouse Society to honor those who establish planned gifts through estates, gift annuities, bequests and trusts for the school. Please contact Headmaster Emeritus and Major Gift Officer Peter Bragdon at 603-773-5985, pbragdon@comcast.net or 171 High Street, Exeter, N.H. 03833 to receive the

Academy's booklet on Planned Giving and learn more about opportunities to become part of the Society. The Society now has more than 100 members: the new target is 200.

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Deadline is September 16.**



Top row (left to right): The Senior Song, with Clark Neily '37 conducting

Middle row (left to right): Edward Guzman '95 with wife Jenni, children Noa and Asher; Cassie Depratto '00 accompanied by Chris Stowens; Director of Advancement Lori Correale, Jim Deveney '60, and Peter Stonebraker '60

Bottom row (left to right): Ian Jones '90; John Gillies '45 and David Graham '45; Irene Stegers, Jim McManus '50 and Associate Director of Development Mike Moonves P'82.



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